

Senate Resolution 278

By: Senators Chapman of the 3rd and Wiles of the 37th

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending Mr. George L. Rose; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mr. George L. Rose has an established reputation for athletic achievement and
3 is considered one of this state's greatest running backs; and

4 WHEREAS, Mr. Rose graduated in 1959 from Glynn Academy High School in Brunswick,
5 Georgia, where his football performance and athletic ability earned him the title of MVP, All
6 Conference, All State, and All Southern his junior and senior years; and

7 WHEREAS, as a rusher for Glynn Academy, Mr. Rose averaged 7.5 yards per carry for three
8 years and earned a high school career total of 2,800 yards, which helped place him in the
9 Glynn Academy Hall of Fame and resulted in the retirement of his number from the school's
10 roster; and

11 WHEREAS, Mr. Rose continued to amaze his fans while he attended college at Auburn
12 University, lettering in 1961, 1962, and 1963 as two-way performer, defensive halfback, and
13 offensive wingback; and

14 WHEREAS, during his time on the field with the Tigers, Mr. Rose was recognized with
15 honors such as the Outstanding Player OAK Award, the Outstanding Senior Athlete Award,
16 Auburn's All Decade Team, and an All American UPI/API honorable mention, with
17 performances in the Orange Bowl, the Senior Bowl, and the College All Star Game; and

18 WHEREAS, during Mr. Rose's career in the NFL he played for the Minnesota Vikings,
19 Buffalo Bills, New Orleans Saints, and San Francisco 49ers; and

20 WHEREAS, before his retirement in 1969, Mr. Rose led the Vikings in kick-off returns and
21 interceptions, and he was selected to the All NFL Rookie Team; and

22 WHEREAS, after retirement Mr. Rose continued to contribute to football, coaching for
23 Eastern Carolina University and his alma maters, Glynn Academy and Auburn University;
24 and

25 WHEREAS, Mr. Rose's incredible football career and his many achievements will be
26 honored with his induction into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 commend Mr. George L. Rose for his years of hard work and perseverance in football, thank
29 him for his selfless dedication to the youth of this nation, and congratulate him on his
30 induction into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame.

31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
32 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Mr. George L. Rose.